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Applicant

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: COLOR-IMAGE-FORMING MEDIUM

TERMINAL DISCLAIMER

Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Your petitioner, PENTAX Corporation (by virtue of a change of name filed concurrently herewith, from Asahi Kogaku Kogyo Kabushiki Kaisha to PENTAX Corporation), a corporation of Japan, whose business address is 36-9, Maenocho 2-chome, Itabashi-ku, Tokyo, Japan, represents that it is the owner of record of the entire right, title and interest of the above-identified application by virtue of an assignment recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 24, 2001 at Reel 011754, Frame 0723 of U.S. Application No. 09/840,044 for COLOR-IMAGE-FORMING MEDIUM.

The undersigned representative is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee, and it is certified that to the best of the undersigned's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee.

Your petitioner, PENTAX Corporation (by virtue of the above-noted change of name from Asahi Kogaku Kogyo Kabushiki Kaisha), hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of any patent granted on the above-identified application which would extend beyond the

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Petitioner does not disclaim any terminal part of any patent granted on the above identified application prior to the expiration date of the full statutory term as defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 to 156 and 173 as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer of Patent Nos. 6,139,914 and 6,161,971, in the event that they later: expire for failure to pay a maintenance fee, are held unenforceable, are found invalid, are statutorily disclaimed in whole or terminally disclaimed under 37 C.F.R. 1.321(a), have all claims canceled by a reexamination certificate, are reissued, or are otherwise terminated prior to the expiration of their full statutory term as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer, except for the failure of common ownership stated above.

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Respectfully submitted, PENTAX Corporation

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